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Jews May Get Brigade; Doubt On Army

Careful consideration is being given to the question of establishing a Jewish military formation of brigade size, Lord Strachey told the House of Lords last night. He said that the British Government was considering a Jewish proposal to form a British or United Nations command.

The Under-Secretary for war was replying to Lord Strachey, who has championed such an army. After the debate, Lord Strachey told the Lords that Sir James Grigg, War Secretary, had agreed to receive a deputation from Parliament on the question.

Lord Strachey said 100,000 to 150,000 Jews could be gathered into an army from those not now liable to compulsory military service, such as stateless refugees and Palestinian Jews, and volunteers from neutral countries and liberated territories. He was supported by Lord Melchett, who said that Jews wanted to fight with an identifiable Jewish unit.

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Child Deaths Caused By Starvation

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Belgian Paper Reports Fate Of Deportees

Le Flambeau (The Torch), underground newspaper of the Belgian Jewish Defense Committee, has published an account of the intolerable sufferings of the Jews deported to Poland. The information was given to the newspaper by two Antwerp Jews who escaped from Upper Silesia.

They fled from Belgium on May 10, 1940, but were captured by the Germans in Nice and deported to the Jewish labour camp at Sosnowiec, in Poland.

On arrival, the report says, they were deprived of everything they possessed and given a few ragged "working clothes," embroidered with four yellow stars—one on the chest, one on the back, and one on each knee.

Beatings were the order of the day; and were heaped upon anyone who had hidden money; he was beaten until he bled. Men and women worked in separate gangs. In these camps Hitler's henchmen used every means to hasten the death of their victims.

In order to escape deportation to the death camp at Oswiecim children pretended they were over 12 in the hope that they might be thought capable of working.

Those who were fortunate enough to be regarded as fit for work and therefore worth keeping alive had to submit to intolerable conditions. There was no limit to the number of hours worked; it depended entirely on the whim of the supervisor—an S. S. man specially trained for this inhuman task.

Food consisted of two slices of bread and a bowl of warm soup.

REFUGEE IN U. S. ARMY TRICKED NAZIS, GETS AWARD

Sergeant Richard F. Stern, a forty-five-year-old Jewish refugee from Germany serving in the American Army in Italy, who only tricked a half-dozen Nazis into surrender in January by telling them in German they were surrounded, was awarded the Silver Star for gallantry by the U. S. War Department.

Stern, a textile printer who lived at 35-37 Ninety-seventh Street, Corona, Queens, was driven from Germany in 1939. A veteran of the German Army in the first world war, he had received the Iron Cross. Twice he was forced to run the gauntlet of Sturm Troopers armed with whips.

He decided he could retaliate upon the Nazis in only one way, by coming to the United States and joining an army that could wipe them out. In October, 1942, he entered the Army. Early last year, the Army told him he could have an honorable discharge because he was over thirty-eight. He refused. It would interfere with his plans for revenge. Instead, by request, he was sent overseas.

Noted Arbitrator Was Man Of Many Interests

Charles I. Bernheimer

Mr. Bernheimer was born in Ulm, Germany, July 13, 1884. He was educated at Theodore's College in Geneva, being graduated in 1909.

He was not too busy, with all his interests, to find time for trips to the American Southwest, where he sought the treasures of early American civilization in the stony canyons of Arizona and Colorado.

"My attention," he said once, "all my life has gravitated toward geology, anthropology and history." That attention was repaid by his discovery of dinosaur tracks considered as the most perfect ever revealed; by his discovery of natural bridges and cliff dwellings known previously only to the Indians of the region; and in 1929 by his unearthing of an old American "bead-making" culture. Later, in Utah, he uncovered a bonanza, which led him to believe that there was some connection, hitherto unperceived, between Australian aboriginal and ancient American cultures.

Mr. Bernheimer, in addition to his long years of service with the Chamber of Commerce, was president of the Ross Hill Manufacturing Company, Inc., cotton manufacturing, at 470 Fourth Avenue from 1907 to 1929; was an explorer whose expeditions for the American Museum of History opened up a large part of unexplored American desert country; and was treasurer of the "Committee of 107" which elected John Purroy Mitchell Fusion Mayor of New York in 1912.

From all the four fields Mr. Bernheimer invaded, he emerged with distinction. As an arbitrator he was looked upon as the founder of that technique of settling business disputes. As a merchant he won high positions on several trade organizations. As an explorer, he had to his credit original work in Arizona and Utah. Finally, in his own venture into politics he saw his candidate elected, and was able to point out in his "Who's Who" biography that he "ran the campaign without a deficit."

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\$20,000,000 Spent In 6 Months For Rescue

In the six months ending June 30, 1944, the accomplishments of the United Jewish Appeal, which spent \$20,000,000 were:

The Joint Distribution Committee:

1. Helped 6,000 refugees emigrate to Palestine and the Western Hemisphere including 2,000 refugee children who were transported from the Balkans to Palestine via Turkey. The sum of \$1,888,000 was appropriated by the J. D. C. for emigration aid.
2. Assisted Jews in liberated areas, providing for the rebuilding of war-wrecked Jewish communities in North Africa, and furnishing clothing for concentration camp internees in Southern Italy; \$379,450 was allotted for this purpose.
3. Appropriated a total of \$2,562,872 for aid to refugees in Switzerland, Sweden, Portugal, Spain, and the Middle East.
4. Sent food, medicine, and clothing parcels at the rate of 20,000 a month to Jewish refugees in Soviet Russia at a cost of \$300,000.
5. Provided emergency assistance to Jews in recently-declared territory through the International Red Cross and other channels, approved by the U. S. government; \$4,218,000 was set aside for this part of the J. D. C. program.

The United Jewish Appeal

Allied Victory Principal Hope For Jews Of Hungary, Says Eden

A London dispatch to the Polish Telegraph Agency at New York, quoting the Polish underground radio SWIT, said that the Germans had begun deportation of more than 100,000 Hungarians to the notorious Oswiecim concentration camp in Poland on May 15, when sixty-two railroad carriages, filled with children from two to eight years old, were sent to Poland. Then adult Hungarians were sent at the rate of six trainloads a day. The dispatch said that most of the Jews, after being informed they would be exchanged in Poland for prisoners of war, had been put to death in gas chambers at Oswiecim.

Widespread deportations and massacres of Hungarian Jews, despite repeated warnings by the United Nations that the German and Hungarian instigators would be punished, were regrettably confirmed by Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden in the House of Commons on July 5.

Asked by E. S. Silverman, chairman of the British section of the World Jewish Congress, whether 400,000 had been deported and 100,000 had already been slain, Mr. Eden said that he was not in a position to give figures but he feared that "there can be little doubt, in the main, of what is going on."

(The Jewish population of Hungary at the outbreak of the war

was 844,547, according to the last edition of the American Jewish Year Book.)

Mr. Silverman pointed out that the last remaining organized Jewish community in Europe had been in Hungary. He asked whether a further appeal could be made, not to the Germans but to the Hungarian Government. Mr. Eden said that the British Broadcasting Corporation would be used for this purpose.

He added that a direct appeal had been made to the Hungarian people to defend the Jews and that the Pope and the King of Sweden had made representations. But, he concluded, "the principal hope of terminating this tragic state of affairs must remain the speedy victory of the Allied nations."

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Hunt For Jews In Part Of Paris Terror

Frenchmen arriving at the Spanish border said Paris was a city of terror in the Jewish eyes.

Spanish correspondents of Madrid newspapers, writing from Paris, said the city was "yellow with panic" as the Germans and Vichy officials staged mass arrests in "veprinals" for the assassination recently of Vichy Propaganda Minister Philippe Henriot.

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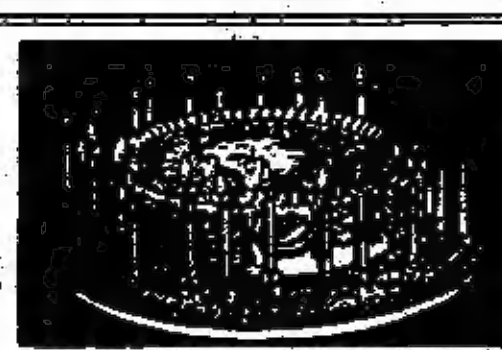
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Mrs. J. Levi, of Chicago, is the guest of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Simon, Kitchener Avenue.

Mrs. L. Diner, Mount Pleasant Avenue, is spending the summer with Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Green, at Glen Bay, N. B.

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Mrs. L. Kellner and daughter, Jeanne, Grosvenor Place, are spending some time at Lac Beauport.

Mrs. J. D. Bear and family, Brimley Road, are spending a month at St. Donat.

Mrs. Alex Vinberg and family, Desmaris Boulevard, were with her mother, Mrs. D. Aizer, at her cottage at Plage Lavie.

Mrs. M. Reid, Harvard Avenue, is spending the summer at Four Seasons Lodge, at St. Agathe.

Mrs. C. Rosenbush and family, Torrance Avenue, have left to spend the summer in Nova Scotia.

Mrs. Richard Kramer, Ponsard Avenue, visited Mrs. Charles Goldstein at North Hatley.

Mrs. William Leber and son, Samuel, Grosvenor Avenue, are at Ivy.

Mrs. Eya Segal, Addington Avenue, has gone to Mexico.

Mrs. H. Radant and family, Russell Avenue, are enjoying their cottage at North Hatley.

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the Army Air Corps, and will visit his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Modell, of New York, and Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Modell, of Bronx, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Wigdor and son, Samuel, Van Horne Avenue, have left to spend a holiday in the Laurentians.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Segal and son, Ronald, and daughter, Sandra, of Philadelphia, Pa., visited the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Litvack, Hutchinson Street, for a week, while here for the wedding of the former's sister, Rael, to Louis Glusberg.

Mrs. Segal, Ronald, and Sandra will be in Montreal for the month of July.

Mrs. Morris Schachter, Durocher Avenue, and granddaughter, Miss Frances Segal, Deacon Road, left for a month's stay in New York and Atlantic City.

Miss Lily Rosen, Laurier Avenue West, spent a holiday at Plattsburgh, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Gould and daughter, Beverly, of Brooklyn, N. Y., formerly of Montreal, visited Mr. and Mrs. S. Litvack, Hutchinson Street, for a week, and were present at the wedding of Mrs. Gould's sister, Miss Rael Litvack, to Louis Glusberg.

Mrs. Gould and Beverly will remain here for the summer.

Mrs. L. Frankfurter and son, David, 5803 Park Avenue, are spending their vacation at Mohawk Inn, Plattsburgh.

Miss and Mrs. Joseph Rothstein, of Sudbury, Ont., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Rothstein, Kingston Avenue, having arrived from Toronto where they visited her father, Rev. R. Rothstein, and mother, and Mrs. R. Rothstein.

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CHILD DEATHS
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At a luncheon of the newly-formed World Education Service Council, a private agency for rebuilding war-devastated schools in Europe and Asia.

Dr. de Kopp said that in 1939-40, 1,200 high schools had been closed; that out of 700 trade schools, thirty were in operation; and that out of 1,000 technical schools, only thirty were in operation.

Mrs. E. Jacobs and son, Louis, Park Avenue, are spending the summer at Bellevue, Que.

Mrs. Louis Cohen, 6000 Marquette Street, celebrated her sixtieth birthday as a family party.

She has four children, Mrs. Jack Atherton, of New York; and Mrs. Sydney Heller, of New York; and Mrs. Sydney Heller, of New York; and Mrs. Sydney Heller, of New York.

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Mrs. J. Folger, formerly Miss Jennie Coppel, a bride of June 12, was honored by: Mrs. S. Coppel, at a tea presentation at the Queen's Hotel; Mrs. L. G. Fisher, at luncheon at the Mount Royal Hotel; Mrs. J. Wall, tea and presentation of a china desk-set; Mrs. Sarah Fisher, and Miss Dorothy Fisher, tea and presentation of china breakfast set; Miss Gertrude Sherwin, tea and presentation of a crystal picture frame; Miss Sarah Cohen, dinner and presentation of hand-painted china dinner plates; Madam M. Cohen, and H. Cohen, tea and presentation of a silver coffee-maker, at the Senator; Madam A. Victor and S. Bar-Lev, luncheon with twenty guests and presentation of pyrex ware at the Mount Royal Hotel; Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Brownstein, dinner and presentation of a picture at St. Morice; Mrs. Samuel Lopo- vich, dinner, with forty-five guests and presentation of a silver service for eight; Madam H. Silefsky and H. Frank, luncheon and presentation of an original picture; Madam H. Lupo- vich, A. Lupo- vich, and E. Reich, dinner and presentation of china at the Senator; Mrs. D. Finkelstein, tea and presentation of dinner cloth and napkins at Estor's; Mrs. S. Lupo- vich, dinner with thirty- two guests and presentation of a silver service; and Madam H. Silefsky, luncheon with twenty guests and presentation of a silver service.

Mrs. D. Albert, Mrs. E. B. Targel, of Winnipeg; Mrs. Saul Shaf- fer, Miss Ruth Miller, Ruth Marmovitch, Goldie Pinsky, Gussie Silverman, Mildred Schaeffer, Rita Silver, Rosa Singer, Rita But- terman, Rose Tamara Kalkin, Ber- tha Moravitz, Bella Adelman, So- nia Levin, Dora Lenoir, and L. G. Gussman, Harry Lewis, Irving Kalia, Louis Epstein, F.O. Sydney Cohen, L.A.C. Joel Morris, Al. Ab- rams, Otto Eckstein, of Boston, Mass.; Irving Kayfitz, Alfred Lewis, Joseph Rayner, Leo Rita, J. B. Rosen, Ben. Stein, and Al. Stein.

At Lohm's Inn, St. Agathe, were: Mr. & Mrs. D. Kober, Misses Dorothy Davis, Maria Baumthal, Rae Pearl, Edith Gottlieb, Ger- trude Carman, Sophia Zuker, Betty Karetzky, Mr. and Mrs. M. Cohen, Miss Sarah Lithwick, of Ottawa; Miss Mollie Charnay, of Brighton, Mass.; Mr. and Mrs. A. Loom, Misses Leah Butler, Bella Sevit- sky, Claire Goodkin, Ethel Wax- man, Adele Berger, Sadie and Ruth Krasner, Esther Viner, of Ot- tawa; Hava Silver, Sylvia Spivak, Mr. and Mrs. J. Karta, Misses Pearl Klinger, Ruth Alexander, Joan Horowitz, Anne Savitsky, Helen and Roslyn Roca, Grace Shalansky; Sydney Bider, Ben. Haeberg, Harry Solomon, Mrs. L. Sperber and son, Murray; David Shock, Larry Rosemarin, Mr. and Mrs. I. Levitz, Abe Chasnowitz, David Greenstein, Saul Yaffa, Mr. and Mrs. M. Hecht, Mr. and Mrs. L. Goldenberg, Hy. Engel, Lionel Parfity, Misses Sara Pearl, Pearl Greenberg, Louis Karasch, Misses Pauline Kinsop, Anne Winer; Ir- ving Miller, Jack Solomon, Mr. and Mrs. F. Lieberman, Mr. and Mrs. M. Margolis, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Nadigal, Misses Annette Myerson, Beverly Daniels; Al. Sal- omon, Frances Mindel, Jack Jacob- son, of Brockville, Ont.; Misses Miriam Herman, Betty Dorovitch; Julian Weisler, Arthur Trench-

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Mrs. Albert Doc- tor, and son Jack, aged two years, 505 Bloomfield Avenue, Montre- al, grandson of Mrs. J. Norden, 595 Bloomfield Avenue, and the late Mr. Norden; and of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Doc- tor, 5408 St. Ur- bain Street. —Society Studio

Refugee Organization Gathered Information On German Death Camps

German "carelessness" engendered by more than two years of successful concealment of the existence of two "model extermination camps for Jews" at Auschwitz and Birkenau, in Upper Silesia, led to the revelation of many startling facts and figures concerning their operation for the two years ended April 15, 1944, during which the execution and "disposal" of 1,715,000 Jews were effected "without a hitch," says the New York Times.

This information is contained in the 8,000-word report by the Very Rev. Paul Vogt, head of the inter- nationally known refugee organiza- tion, the Fluchtlinge, of Zurich, which has gathered

their slips of paper "under the most primitive and inhumane conditions, which often led to fatal blood poisoning—which in itself is often a merciful alter- native." Two fugitives from the Slovak extermination campaign who fled at three-month intervals and "are now on neutral soil" bear physical confirmation of this tattooing operation—one with a five-figure numeral on his left leg and the other with a six-figure figure considerably above the 200- 000 mark on his.

Neither had any previous knowl- edge of the other's existence or escape, the report says. But they were questioned individually, then brought together, and their stories



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Hannah, aged two, is the daughter of Mrs. Eleanor Lown, 300 Edward Charles Avenue, Montreal, and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lown, 280 Edward Charles Avenue.

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BIRTHS

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Shuster (nee Toba Fargues), Vil- leuveuve Street West, a son, School brother of Solomon Avrian, at the Jewish General Hospital, on Fri- day, July 7; grandson of Mrs. S. Fargues, Sherbrooke Street West, and the late Solomon Fargues; and of Mrs. P. Shuster, St. Do- minique Street, and the late Philip Shuster; the great-grandmother is Mrs. S. Hart, Laurier Avenue West. The godparents are Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Hart, St. Joseph Boulevard West.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Roseman (nee Peggy Levy), 4122 Clark Street, a son, Alvin, at the Woman's General Hospital, on Fri- day, July 7. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Moses Levy, St. Lawrence Boulevard; and Mr. and Mrs. A. Roseman, Clark Street. The godparents are Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Roseman, Bagge Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. E. Mestel (nee Belle Schwartz), 5437 Park Avenue, a daughter, Carol, sister of Shirley and Hyman, at the Royal Victoria Hospital, on July 7.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Abe Ro- sen (nee Libby Feltman), Esplanade Avenue, a son, Ezra No- man, at the Jewish General Hos- pital, on June 22. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. E. Feltman, Esplanade Avenue; and Mr. and Mrs. Rosen, St. Urbain Street. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. A. Libowitz, Delish Street West; and J. Magid, St. Urbain Street. Godparents are Mr. and Mrs. E. Feltman, Esplanade Ave- nue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Milton Finkel (nee Ruth Brodman), St. Hubert Street, a son, brother of Joyce, at the Jewish General Hos- pital, on July 2; grandson of D. Brodman, Laurier Avenue West; and of Mr. and Mrs. J. Finkel, Jeanne Mance Street.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Kohn (nee Celia Pearson), Dre- let Street, a daughter, Hannah, at the Jewish General Hospital, on June 29; granddaughter of M. Pearson, Jeanne Mance Street;

and of Mrs. E. Kohn, Drobet Street; great-grandchild of Mrs. M. Gordon, Esplanade Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Rosenberg (nee Lottie Hershman), de Vigny Avenue, a son, Michael Steven, brother of Emily May, at the Royal Victoria Maternity Hospital, on June 1.

Born, to Cor. and Mrs. W. Ship (nee Esther Brownstein), 1304 St. Urbain Street, a daughter, Mari-

the tale of the shaggy dog- story is quoted by Mr. Vogt's report. "From the testimony of," he said, "we were driven to a cell where we received a sort of prisoner's uniform that was later 'exchanged' for a ragged Russian soldier uniform scarcely adequate to cover our nakedness, let alone give us warmth from the cruel temperature." The purpose of any clothing at all, in the refugee's opinion, was to bear "other in- dications," such as nationality and "degree of offense" of each per- son. Women in the tattooing sheds were tattooed on their breasts, ac- cording to the same witness.

The Auschwitz camp covers more than a square mile. At one end are shops for unskilled pro- duction for the Deutsche Auf- rüstungswerke (German Rearmament Works of Styria) and a bun- dle plant. Their surface is "compartmented" into sections about a quarter mile square. Women are segregated from men by barbed-wire "alleys" through which armed guards constantly patrol. The barbed wire at certain points is charged with electricity and, when touched, automatically fires machine guns posted to in- tercept attempts at flight. There are only a few instances of women having been molested by the guards.

Though not absolutely impossi- ble, flight is almost never suc- cessful, the report continues. The refugee is far likelier to be killed in the attempt than not, for, if

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lva Phyllis, at the Jewish General Hospital, on July 4. Grand- parents are Mr. and Mrs. L. Brownstein, St. Urbain Street; and Mrs. D. Ship, St. Urbain Street. Gummer W. Ship, R.C.A., is stationed at Shelburne, N. E.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Max Bass (nee Berdie Meitlin), Deane- road, a daughter, Sandra Gita, at the Royal Victoria Hospital, on

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Margulies (nee Sara Cohen), Girouard Avenue, a daughter, Avrona, sister of Harry J., at the Royal Victoria Hospital, on July 3; granddaughter of Mrs. Tillie Cohen, Girouard Avenue, and the late Abraham Cohen; and of Mr. and Mrs. William Margulies, Jeanne Mance Street.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hyman Lockner (nee Shirley Manell), St. Joseph Boulevard East, a daughter, Susan Madeline, at the Jewish General Hospital, on June 24; granddaughter of Mrs. R. Lockner, Quebec Avenue, and the late I. Lockner; and of Mr. and Mrs. S. Manell, St. Urbain Street.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Moe Propet (nee Eileen Myers), St. Famille Street, a son, Stephen Samuel, at the Royal Victoria Hospital, on June 23; grandson of Mrs. G. Myers, Bernard Avenue, and the late Samuel Myers; and of Mr. and Mrs. J. Propet, Hut- chinson Street.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Rosenberg (nee Pauline Spocter), Jeanne Mance Street, a daughter, Barbara, sister of Kenneth and Harvey, at the Jewish General

Hospital, on June 21.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Stone (nee Dora Kayser), Jeanne Mance Street, a daughter, Roanah Mae, at the Jewish General Hos- pital, on June 28. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. H. Kayser, St. Urbain Street; and Mr. and Mrs. S. Stone, St. Dominique Street. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. Freeman, de Bullion Street.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. George I. Harris (nee Eva Rodner), Mc- Eachran Avenue, a daughter, Freema, at the Jewish General Hospital, on June 24.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Poteshin (nee Mildred Goldstein), Lennox Avenue, a son, Harry David, at the Jewish General Hos- pital, on July 2. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. Goldstein, Maplewood Avenue; and Mr. and Mrs. A. Poteshin; great-grand- mothers are Mrs. M. Poteshin, Waverley Street; and Mrs. E. Go- ruff, Clark Street. Godparents are Mr. and Mrs. E. Orvill, Wa- verley Street.

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MONTREAL MEETINGS

• **ELMIDGE** Country Club women members entertained at a luncheon in honor of their captain, Mrs. H. E. Haddad, on her birthday. Mrs. Rose M. Haddad, president, made a presentation.

• **CANADIAN Jewish Congress:** Saul Hays, national executive director, has been named to the executive of the Council of Canadian Voluntary Agencies assisting U. N. R. E. A. Order of St. John, Canadian Association of So-

cial Workers, and Union of Catholic Social Agencies. The Council has been formed by the ministry of National War Services to assist the government in matters concerning the U. N. R. E. A. It is composed of a number of organizations which are interested in the relief and rehabilitation of the populations of liberated areas of Europe. This council has had several meetings and specific and concrete plans are under way to make certain that Canadian personnel assist directly in this project.

• **Y.W.H.A. - Y.M.H.A. Urban Camp** opened its fourteenth season of day camping with a picnic for 250 children. The camp is supervised by Mrs. A. Kahn and Sydney Flanders. In charge of counselors are Miss Sylvia Friedman and William Hymovitch. Registrations will be open for a few more days at the Y.M.H.A., Mount Royal Avenue. Camp is open daily, Monday through Friday from 1:00 to 5:00 p. m.

• **HOSPITAL OF HOPE** Henry Shuster Unit closing at the home of Mrs. L. Freedlander, 5932 Park Avenue, collected \$24. Mrs. S. Greenberg sang. Maudie M. Greenberg, I. Greenberg, S. Greenberg assisted in serving. A vote of thanks was given by Mrs. S. Greenfield. Montreal Baker Unit bridge and mah-jong in Place Laval on Wednesday, July 13, at 2:00 p. m. Conveners are: Maudie P. Baker and A. Leitzman. Victory Unit elected Mrs. S. Cohen, president; Maudie H.

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Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Grotstein, and daughter, Jacqueline, aged nine, and son, George Sheldon, seven, 2535 Steeles Avenue, Montreal, grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. H. Haddad, 531 Bloomfield Avenue, and of Mr. and Mrs. H. Grotstein, 5345 St. Urbain Street. Mr. and Mrs. Grotstein have another daughter, Gloria Reilly, born on June 2.

Reichen, S. Israelovitch, H. Noodman, J. Lightstone, S. Horowitz.

• **RED CROSS Jewish Branch** donations were: \$23 from the Junior Victory Club, composed of Misses Sandra Maimel, president; Paula Raphael, Frances Cowan, Ruth Freeman, Evelyn Kornbluth, Selma Massey, Nechke Rosen, Frances Roter, Rhoda Rubenstein; \$43.35, Senior Victory Club, composed of Misses Norah Maimel, president; Riva Rose, Naomi Sorokin, Shelia Altman, Lyle Pinky, Leila Weintraub, Rosalind Beinhaker, Marilyn Cohen, Joyce Endelman, Gladis Gower, Shirley Greenfield, Lorna Plotnick, Mildred Schwartz, \$16, through the executive secretary, M. Kest, from the Keren Ami Fund collected by children of the Shear Hagshonayim Synagogue; \$2.21, collected by Mrs. S. Cohen, wife of the late S. Cohen, 4345 St. Urbain Street.

engagement of their daughter, Sylvia, to Moshe, only son of Mr. and Mrs. B. Rabinovitch, Park Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Farnham, Waterville Street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Sherry, to Benjamin Joseph Appovitch, C.M.R.C., stationed in Ottawa, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Appovitch, of Ottawa, the marriage to take place in the autumn.

Mr. and Mrs. William Bercevitich, Hutchison Street, announce the engagement of the former's sister, Miss Betty Burger (Bercevitich), of Cleveland, Ohio, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Y. Bercevitich, of Montreal, in Irvin Ross, of Shaker Heights, Cleveland.

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APPROACHING MARRIAGES

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Stretcher, 4277 Kipling Avenue, announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Melba, to Omar, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. Dubinsky, Henderson Avenue, Ottawa, the marriage to take place on Sunday, August 6, at three o'clock at Shear Hagshonayim Synagogue.

ENGAGEMENTS

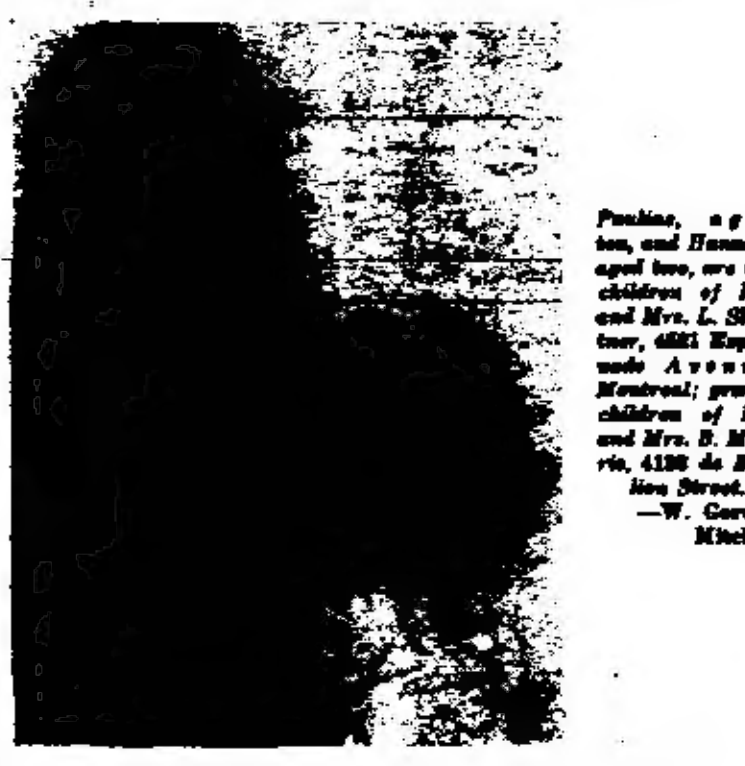
Mr. and Mrs. S. Green, St. Lawrence Boulevard, announce the

WANTS LAND NEAR TEL-AVIV FOR REFUGEES

Acquisition of a 2,000-acre tract of land near the city of Tel Aviv in Palestine, formerly owned by German settlers, will be sought by the Palestine Foundation Fund to provide additional facilities for European refugees.

Bernard A. Rosenblatt, president of the foundation, making this announcement at his headquarters, 41 East Forty-second Street, New York, added that \$1,000,000 more would be forwarded to the Jewish Agency for Palestine to help in "total rehabilitation of Jewish refugees from Europe." This will bring the total sent during the last six months to \$2,750,000, he said.

Mr. Rosenblatt explained that the tract of land had been owned by German settlers, who have been interned in prison camps as enemy aliens, and the foundation believed that by government arrangement this property might be converted into an immigration center for purposes of rehabilitation.



Pauline, aged ten, and Hannah, aged two, are the children of Mr. and Mrs. L. Stetner, 4521 Kipling Avenue, Montreal; grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. B. Morrie, 4130 de la Baie Street.

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Card Of Thanks

Mrs. H. Wexler and family, Doland Avenue, wish to thank their many relatives and friends for the kindness shown in their recent and lamented loss of a dear husband, and father, **Hyman Wexler**.

DEATHS

Hyman Wexler, aged sixty, died on Wednesday, July 5, at his home, 605 Doland Avenue. He is survived by his wife, **Rosel Wexler**; two sons, **Bernard** and **Shel**; two grandsons, **Al** and **Walter**; and two granddaughters, **Barbara** and **Joan**. Funeral services took place from his home, 605 Doland Avenue, on Sunday, July 9, at 10:00 a. m. Burial was in Adath Israel cemetery. Shiva was at the home.

Fanny Scharf died on Wednesday, July 5, at the Royal Victoria Hospital. She is survived by her husband, **Isidor**; one son, **Irving**; and one daughter, **E. C. N.**

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(overman); two daughters, **Rene** and **Genevieve**; her mother, **Mrs. Betty Scharf**; two brothers, **Earl** and **Albert Scharf**, of Montreal; and three sons, **Mrs. Joseph Scharf** (Harry), of Montreal; **Mrs. J. L. Scharf** (Anne), of Chicago, Ill.; and **Mrs. M. Scharf** (Ruth), of Boston, Mass. Funeral services took place from Papernan's Boulevard St. Joseph's Catholic Church, 1000 St. Joseph's Avenue, on Sunday, July 9, at 10:00 a. m. Burial was in Adath Israel cemetery. Shiva was at the home, 605 Doland Avenue.

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Mr. and Mrs. L. Stelberg, Palmerton Boulevard, are spending two weeks in Muskoka, before leaving for their summer home at Pickering.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Kessler and daughter, Loreta and Maxine, of New York, are spending a week with Mrs. Kessler's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Goldman, Crawford Street, before going to Thunder Bay, to spend the summer.

Misses Eva and Gertrude Ross, 75 Major Street, are back from Montreal, Que., where they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. Orland, and were present at the marriage of Miss Mary Orland to Joseph Kesteloff.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Wortsman and family, Palmerton Boulevard, are occupying a cottage at Crystal Beach for the summer.

Julius Nissenbaum, 181 Beverley Street, is at Mountbath Inn, Lake Rosseau, Muskoka, for a month.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Freedman and family, Palmerton Boulevard, are at their summer home at Jackson's Point.

Captain E. A. Kuntz, Medical Corps of the U.S. Army, is on leave visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Avramkin, Fisher Street, after spending the past eighteen months in the southern and southwestern Pacific area.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Stelberg and family, Kingston Road, are at their summer cottage at Jackson's Point for the season.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Feder and family, Major Street, are spending the summer at Jackson's Point.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Tittel and family, Palmerton Boulevard, are at Jackson's Point for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. William Silverstone and family, 1307 Bloor Street West, are at Jackson's Point for the season.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Stork and family, Palmerton Boulevard, are at Belle Ewart, Lake Simcoe, for the summer.

Mrs. H. Katz, of Boston, and Mrs. Ethel Newman, Havelock Street, are spending two weeks at Crystal Beach.

Cyril Gostman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gostman, 501 Palmerton Boulevard, is spending the summer at camp in Muskoka.

Leading Abolitionist Arthur Katz and Mrs. Katz, 488 Palmerton Boulevard, are spending the summer at camp in Muskoka.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Kessler and family, Major Street, are spending the summer at Jackson's Point.

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Harshel Buchstein, Montclair Avenue, presentation tea; Misses Ruth Botwin, Lillian Asch, Frances Paskowitz, Thylla Soslitz, Jean Goldberg, Dorothy Lepofsky, Mildred Harris, and Esther Shari, presentation luncheon; Miss Rose Motter, Turner Road, presentation dinner and theatre; Mrs. Lazarus Rosen, Bloor Street West, and Mrs. Samuel Selway, Glenholme Avenue, tea at Eaton's Round Room; Mr. and Mrs. S. Tobey, of Pontiac, Mich., presentation dinner and evening; Joseph Pleasant, of Detroit, Mich., dinner and evening; Mr. and Mrs. H. Goldenberg, of Detroit, Mich., evening; and Mr. and Mrs. N. Standler, of Detroit, Mich., presentation evening.

MARRIAGES

MILLER-CADESKY

The marriage of Eleanor Phyllis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Cadecky, Hillcrest Drive, to Harold, son of Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Miller, took place on June 12, at the Primrose Club, Rabbi Samuel Sachs officiating. The bride was given in marriage by her father. She wore a gown of white satin, with mother-of-pearl border on the sweetheart neckline. Her long veil was held by a cascade of gardenias, swansons, and stephanotis. Miss Sybil Brenda Cadecky, sister of the

bride, was maid of honor, in a gown of blue mousseline, with matching bandana and shoulder-length veil, and carried a cascade of pink roses and sweet peas. Carol Seiderman, as flower girl, wore a Juliet frock of pale orange, with matching pink bandana and veil, and carried a basket of rose petals. Irving Liss acted as best man, and the ushers were: Gerald Smith, Harshel Levy, R. Applebaum, Dr. Harold Seiderman, Alan Clavie and Arthur Code. Mrs. Cadecky, mother of the bride, received in Chartreuse-green; with the groom's mother in a gown of blue. For travelling the bride wore rose-colored craps, accented with matching lace, topcoat of blue, collared with platinum fox, matching blue felt cartwheel hat, and corsage of Sweet-heart roses.

ROSENTHAL-GREENSPON

The marriage of Minerva Francis Greenspon, Reg. N., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Greenspon, Clinton Street, to Allan L. Rosenthal, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Rosenthal, Fairview Boulevard, took place on June 24, at Chudleigh House, Cantor A. Steinberg officiating. The bride was given in marriage by her father. She wore a street-length dress of blue sheen, fashioned with a sweetheart neckline and not trimming, brace-length skirted sleeves, the skirt side-draped and edged in net. Her

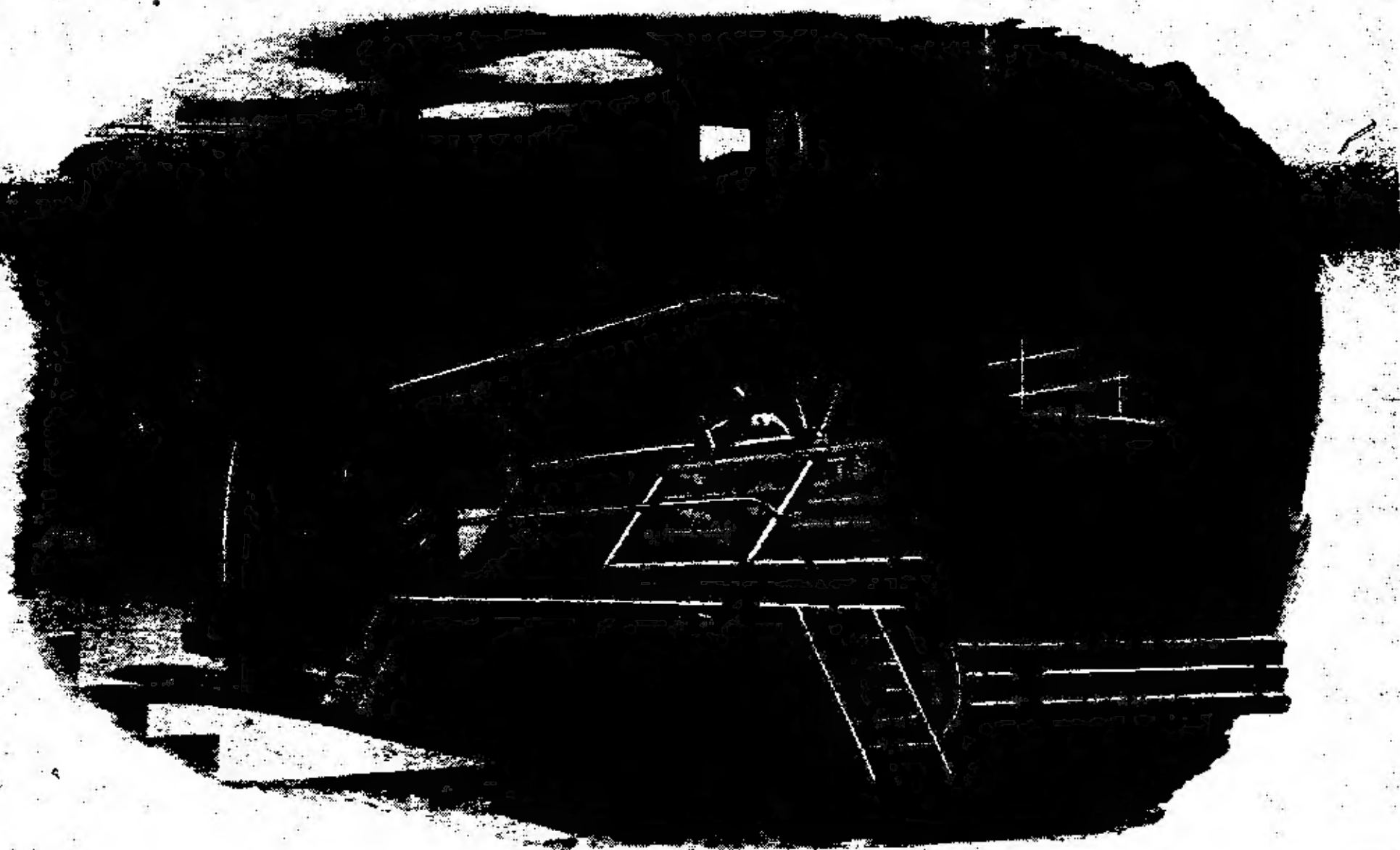
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shoulder-length veil of tulle illusion fell from a tiara of blue flowers with touches of pink rosebuds, her long gloves were of lace and she carried a cascade of Butterfly roses, baby's breath, and delphinium with blue and pink satin streamers. The matron of honor was the bride's only sister, Mrs. Harry Eisen, Jr., in lime-green sheer, with low neckline, and centre drape on the skirt, edged in net, and a shoulder-length veil and purple flowers to match, and she had a colonial nosegay of Butterfly roses and bouvardia. Leonard Carr, of Winnipeg, Man., was best man. The ushers were decorated with tall standards of peonies, snapdragons, and orange blossoms. The wedding cake held white tapers, and snap-

dragons decorated the dinner table. The bride's mother wore grey craps, with square neckline, with fuchsia-colored gloves and violet headpiece, and corsage of roses and bouvardia. The groom's mother wore Chartreuse gown, with matching flowers in her hair, and corsage of roses and bouvardia. The couple left on a wedding trip to the Maritime Islands, and will live in Toronto. For going away the bride wore an orchid-colored craps dress, with neckline edged in tiny bows, grey kidskin jacket, and orchid corsage. The bride is a recent graduate of Barnert Memorial Hospital, Falmouth, N. J., School of Nursing. The groom is a graduate of the University of Toronto, with the B. Sc. degree.

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Disbelief Is The Difficulty

The Jewish Outlook says:

When the National Committee for Rescue from Nazi Terror held its public meeting at Westminster some weeks ago, the resolution presented to the British Government was supplemented by the comment of Mr. Harold Nicholson, M. P. We quote his words in part:

"Herr Hitler in his life has evolved many strange, demonic theories. I think he has invented a new one within the last two years, for even as he said if your lie is sufficiently big, somebody will believe it, so also he has invented the theory if your murders are sufficiently numerous and atrocious, nobody will believe that they have been perpetrated. That is the difficulty—that people will not really believe it possible that in this twentieth century a group of men or men should have in any circumstances committed cruelties so deliberate, so cold, so calculated as those which have been committed against Russians, and Poles, and Czechs, and Dutchmen, and Belgians, and Norwegians, and above all the unhappy Jews, who find themselves in Nazi power."

By this declaration Mr. Nicholson has expressed a protest not alone against the calculated murder of innocent millions, but also against the state of mental innocence—or of ordinary obtuseness—which impels many persons to pass off the reports of atrocities, however authentically presented, or even if announced by the perpetrators themselves, with an incredulous shrug of the shoulders. One cannot readily forget the replies of citizens of Detroit who, when asked by Gallup investigators whether they accepted such reports, in the main replied that they must be mere propaganda. It is not alone that those questioned are indifferent to hardships involving Jews; they simply crawl into a comfortable shell of disbelief, and complacently proclaim that there can't be such crimes.

What most men of the democratic countries require today is the capacity for high moral indignation. Had this existed in places both high and low there would never have been a China incident, the rape of Ethiopia, or over a decade of unceasing pogroms. England's National Committee possesses the power of indignation and ethical revolt to the highest degree; it lacks the cool and murderous phlegmatism of a Chamberlain or a Goebbels. All Jews are grateful for its pronouncements, and can but hope that without delay they will be able to free the Jews of Europe.

Problems Of Liberation

The first Civil Affairs officers landed in France hard upon the heels of the invading forces. As other offensives are opened up on the several borders of Fortress Europe, the problem already faced in Italy—will require more and more attention.

One of the most difficult phases of the situation which the Civil Affairs divisions of the Allied armies will face will certainly be that of the disenfranchised and displaced Jews. This problem will be met wherever Allied armies cross Axis defense lines. While the Jews have been removed from the coastal areas of France, troops penetrating into the interior will find some 200,000 of them there.

From all reports, both of the Nazis and of the French underground, it is clear that the Jews in France have played a very active part in underground activities in that country. The same is true of the neighboring western European countries. In Belgium, reports tell of an organized Jewish underground movement which sends its delegates to meetings of the general Belgian underground, publishes its periodical, and carries on all the activities of such a movement. It is estimated that there are about 20,000 Jews in hiding in Belgium, and perhaps an equal number in Holland.

The Allied liberation of Rome showed that in Italy also, a certain number of Jews went into hiding; and we may expect that when Northern Italy is captured, Jews will be discovered either hiding for their own protection or as participants in the underground forces. A substantial number, moreover, have been interned.

However, the largest number of Jews will of course be encountered by the Russian offensive from the East. Behind these borders are concentrated the surviving Jews. Since the establishment of the Satrapy regime in Hungary, all the Jews of the East have been reduced to the depths of emaciation and deprivation with

which we have already become familiar through the story of the Jews of Poland.

In these countries, the measures which have been applied against the Jews have followed more or less the same pattern, for the same band was at work behind all of them. Consequently, despite the differences in local conditions, there are certain general procedures which all the Civil Affairs Sections of the Allied armies may follow with respect to this situation. The problem in every case will be to restore the essential minimum of human rights immediately.

As has already occurred in Sicily and elsewhere, the Civil Affairs Divisions of the Allied armies will no doubt immediately abrogate all the exceptional legislation against the Jews. Whatever other parts of Nazi legislation it may be necessary to retain temporarily for administrative reasons, the Nazi racial, discriminatory laws will have to be scrapped at once.

But this in itself by no means guarantees the restoration of basic civil requirements and rights. Civil Affairs officers will have to make preliminary efforts to register titles to property of which Jews have been wrongfully deprived. All over Europe the Civil Affairs divisions will face the problem of Jewish families which have been torn apart by deportation of husbands and wives and children. One of the most urgent tasks therefore will be the reuniting of families.

It is clear that there will be no desire to encourage the return of deportees to their homes so long as military operations are under way in the area. Indeed, where helpless refugees are likely to hamper such operations, Civil Affairs officials will probably wish to send as many as possible elsewhere, at least temporarily.

Emergency refugee centers, such as the one President Roosevelt has established in Oswego, New York, may be very useful, both in order to clear vital areas

The United Church Shows Concern For Minorities

The Christian Century, of Chicago, says:

A general sharpening of race prejudices disturbs the church. Canada includes under this category the relation to the rest of the country of French Canada, with its strong sense of grievance and its racial, cultural and political isolationism. This problem is complicated by the dominance of the Roman Catholic hierarchy over the religious, social and even economic life of the French-speaking people. The United Church is concerned to foster greater understanding and mutuality between these two major cultures in the country. It is also disturbed over evidence of discrimination against smaller ethnic groups.

Although the Jews in Canada number only 168,000, they are concentrated in the larger cities and social anti-Semitism is on the increase. There have been a few cases of the exclusion of eminent Negroes from the dining halls of prominent hotels and social clubs. Infamously groups in British Columbia have openly declared that the evacuated Japanese are not to be allowed to return to that province.

The United Church has shown a genuine concern for justice and equality for racial and religious minorities and has exerted its influence on their behalf. While the leadership of the church has been high-minded and at times, courageous on this issue, it is by no means clear that the general population, even within the churches, is equally committed to the practical implications of brotherhood which the Christian faith enjoins.

for military operations and to provide better care for broken, helpless families of refugees. Moreover, where families can be reunited by moving persons from zones of warfare in Europe to their relatives who had already found a home abroad, it is clear that Civil Affairs officers will be well advised to encourage such emigration.

It is obvious that all these problems can be solved on an international basis, for the dispersion of Jewish families during the years of war, has been enormous on a geographical scale. With respect to Emergency Refugee Centers the Civil Affairs officers of each army must have the aid of UNRRA, and of the various national agencies in countries to which refugees may be shipped; with respect to resettlement of the International Committee for Refugees. To begin this work at once in the early days of the offensive will be not only a humanitarian act, but also a practical one. It will help to break down the barriers of racial and religious prejudice, and to foster a sense of common humanity.

Each army crossing into the continent of Europe will find Jews, whether in hiding or even more particularly in detention centers or ghettos, badly in need of special care. Systematically underfed for years by the tyrant border of Axis highness, robbed of their clothes for the benefit of the German armies on the Eastern front, driven from their homes to mercilessly overcrowded ghettos and concentration camps, these victims of Axis cruelty will require the provision in full of all these elementary needs.

Unlike other sections of population that have suffered under Nazi looting and persecuting, Jews will not have retained anything, not even their health, upon which to build the process of their recuperation. As UNRRA has already done, the Civil Affairs divisions of the Allied armies will have to adopt the principle of supplying aid to Axis victims according to their need, and according to this criterion alone. Their preparations for this task must be based upon an understanding of the total nature of the Jewish need the Nazis will leave behind them.

Civil Affairs officers in the Allied armies do not begin to operate only after the tide of battle has rolled on. They set up their headquarters as far ahead as a regimental command; very often their men enter a town along with the first reconnaissance units. It is part of their duty to maintain order in forward areas by contacting local underground leaders and by neutralizing local goings. Among the active workers of the underground when the Civil Affairs officers will meet as they penetrate into the interior, there will be a considerable number of Jews, and among the uprisings whom they must deal with, there will be found a large proportion of those who were guilty of persecuting Jews and profited by selling their stolen property.

Firm instructions will undoubtedly be given to Civil Affairs officers to utilize fully the aid of the forces and deal with the latter as they richly deserve. By

acting in accordance with such instructions, Civil Affairs officers can not only hope to mobilize the enthusiasm of liberation movements, but they can contribute a sound beginning to the reconstruction of Europe after the war.

Some method ought to be found, however, to accomplish a purpose of even more pressing character. All the experiences that we have had so far with the Germans during this war indicate they will fight bitterly so long as their troops are on foreign territory, and they will not retreat without devastating every part of foreign soil they occupy. That they agreed to leave Rome relatively intact is an exceptional circumstance which the Germans alone perhaps fully understand.

In any case, even if it should be German policy in the future to try to avoid even greater post-war retribution by not wrecking war-torn destruction as they retreat, their war aim is to exterminate the Jews. They will not stop until they have killed every Jew in Europe. They have already gone so far in this regard that the verdict of civilized mankind has been irrevocably sealed against them. There is every reason to fear therefore that they will utilize the remaining Jews whom they have concentrated in detention centers as hostages till the very last day, and that they will continue their massacres in a desperate attempt of intimidation.

There is thus great need for some method of reaching these centers where Jews are kept, of arming the defenseless internees, of helping them to break through to freedom. The history of Jewish resistance to Nazis in Poland and in France and in all the countries between surely deserves this recognition and assistance.

This article is from Jewish Comment, of the World Jewish Congress.

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The newspaper then describes two incidents of which the escaped Jews were eye-witnesses. The first occurred at Kananow, in Galicia. Some trucks arrived and the porting began. From the crowd of children and old people condemned to death, a small girl of nine or ten ran to the German officer in command, threw herself on her knees and begged for mercy.

"Look, Sir, I am strong. Look at my muscles. I can work; I will do the very hardest work; have pity on me; I do not want to die, do not send me to Osvensim," she cried.

Either out of pity or because he decided that she might be of use in Hitler's war machine, he allowed the child to join those who were selected for hard labor.

Next somewhere the two Anvers Jews saw 700 Jewish girls aged 18 to 20, packed up in all parts of Poland, crowded in a large courtyard; they were to be sent to Osvensim or perhaps to the eastern front for the enjoyment of the "horrid" German soldiers.

David Stern, director of colonization for the Jewish Agency, is in the United States on a mission to purchase \$20,000,000 worth of agricultural machinery for use in Palestine. Mr. Stern reported that Palestine now supplies 60% more of her agricultural needs than she did during the last war.

The Churches Condemn Expressions Of Prejudice

Toronto Saturday Night says:

It is extremely gratifying that the official heads of the four chief Protestant denominations in Toronto should have united to proclaim the essentially un-Christian character of "prejudices based on race or color" and of "expressions of dislike against Jews or colored people or Canadians of Japanese descent or other minority groups." That these prejudices, and the open expression of them, have been becoming much more prevalent in many Canadian communities in the last few years is unfortunately quite beyond question; and what is still more alarming, both the prejudices and the expression are being more readily tolerated among people of "respectable" standing and some degree of religious repudiation.

The reasons for this are many. Dissemination of racial hatreds (by no means directed solely against Jews) is an essential element of Nazi propaganda, and while that propaganda has been fairly well checked in Canada since September 1939 it went on with unabated vigor in the United States for two years longer, and has influenced much of the thinking of the less informed among the American people, who in turn have a large influence upon Canadians.

War is moreover a period when passions are easily inflamed; and it is not a negligible factor that many of the best of our younger people are away and unable to influence the minds of those at home. The censorship, unavoidable though it is, has its share in the responsibility, for in a time when much information has to be withheld people are more ready to believe unauthenticated or denied reports, on the ground that they are being denied, or the supporting facts suppressed, for military reasons only.

It was high time for the churches to set their face against the kind of ill-informed and malicious gossip which tends so strongly to divide Canadians into a score of conflicting and mutually hostile groups.

REFUGEE

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recaptured, he is brought back for "questioning," after which he is hanged with wire in the presence of the entire camp, with a sign around his neck reading, "I have come back as a warning to you all." The hanging by wire, not only is excruciating but is apparently done without any drop, so the victim is usually strangled.

The report also describes the inhuman conditions under which roundups are carried out before the deportations. Dragged from their beds at 3 A. M., a group of prisoners is taken to a building where they are packed together in a hall. They have already gone so far in this regard that the verdict of civilized mankind has been irrevocably sealed against them. There is every reason to fear therefore that they will utilize the remaining Jews whom they have concentrated in detention centers as hostages till the very last day, and that they will continue their massacres in a desperate attempt of intimidation.

Four days later, the prisoners were loaded, in lots of seventy to a freight car, with one bucket of water as "supplies" for a trip that lasted ten days, to Birkenau. On arrival, only a few more than 4,000 of 5,000 who had left survived.

CHOSE DEATH RATHER THAN POLISH ARMY

Elias Wold, a Polish Jewish doctor who was working at the Metropolitan Hospital, London, recently committed suicide by taking an overdose of morphine and throwing himself from the hospital roof.

At the inquest a friend, Aaron Neiman, told the coroner that after inquiries he was satisfied that Dr. Wold took his life because he felt himself persecuted by the Polish authorities, says the London Jewish Chronicle.

Later, Mr. Neiman said: "Dr. Wold was driven from his university in Poland before the war because he was a Jew. He went to France and studied there. He managed to escape into Spain, where he was imprisoned by the Spanish authorities."

"After six months in jail, Wold was released and came to England."

"Some weeks ago he asked if he could join the French Army as a doctor. The Fighting French authorities agreed, provided that the Polish authorities would grant the necessary transfer."

"The Polish authorities said they would do this; they asked him to sign certain documents and appear before a Polish medical board, which passed him A1. Then they said he was now a member of the Polish Army, and if he did not report for duty he would be punished as a deserter."

"Wold was afraid of anti-Semitism in the Polish Forces. Five hours before he disappeared he told another friend, 'I would rather die than join the Polish Army.'"

The survivors were divided into two groups without distinction of sex, age or infirmity, half being forwarded immediately to Auschwitz. Reliable testimony counter-checked for accuracy indicates that the entire "consignment" for Auschwitz was "liquidated" within ten hours of its arrival. At Birkenau only 11 per cent of this specific convey was known to be alive a fortnight later. All had been gassed except four or five who had attempted to escape and had been ruthlessly shot down. Their bodies were exposed as a warning to others "who might have the same idea." These bodies of Jews were stacked in the "barracks" of the camp.

Since the arrival of this convey, the report continues, quoting an Auschwitz resident, "railroad sidings have been built direct to the gassing halls at Auschwitz; the reasons . . . it expedites matters considerably."

The existence of two other camps in the neighborhood—those of Malkini-Thelinski, near Ryni-stok, and Balon, not far from the Bug River—was revealed by Auschwitz residents' statements. Subsequent investigation by competent authorities has revealed that both were destroyed by German sappers early this year—apparently in order that their existence might not become known to the Russians "should they succeed in advancing so far."

Harvard Memorial Honors Merchant

Dr. James E. Conant, president of Harvard University, announced the creation of the Louis E. Kirshstein professorship in human relations at the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration.

The new chair will continue the lifelong work of the late Boston merchant and philanthropist in the improvement of human relations in business and community life, and in its expressed purpose will point the way toward maximum co-operation among labor, business and other groups. Dr. Conant said. The chair represents a memorial to the long years of close association of Mr. Kirshstein with the development of the Harvard Business School.

Funds totaling well beyond \$100,000 have been given already by 125 business associates and friends of Mr. Kirshstein and a number of business concerns for the establishment of the professorship. They are being gathered by a committee headed by Lincoln Filshie, of William Filshie & Sons Company, of which Mr. Kirshstein was vice-president. Several bank unions have contributed to the fund, this being the first time that labor groups have given in this way to the university, the announcement said.